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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Litigation Division/OGC
Legal Advisor for the Counterterrorism Center

FROM:

Legislation Division
Office of Congressional Affairs

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SUBJECT: Introduction of New Legislation Targetted
Against Terrorists

1. The attached bill is provided for your information. It was just recently introduced in the Senate by Senator Specter. To date, there is no action scheduled on this measure. Additionally, there is no House counterpart to this Bill.

2. This Bill, if enacted, is to be cited as the "Torture Victim Protection Act of 1989." Enactment would not create a new cause of action against individuals who torture, but rather, would clarify and expand the existing Federal law by clearly establishing a Federal right of action by the victims of torture against the violators of their human rights. The Bill also provides a cause of action to aliens and US citizens.

3. I will keep you apprised of any movement on this legislation.

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Attachment

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